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TO ALL AFRICAN DIPLOMATIC POSTS

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SUBJECT: AFRICAN COMMERCIAL OFFICERS CONFERENCE

1. STATE AND COMMERCE WILL HOLD ONE CONFERENCE FOR ALL AFRICAN MISSIONS AT YAOUNDE, CAMEROON FEBRUARY 4-6, 1976. THEME OF CONFERENCE WILL BE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF U.S. GOVERNMENT EXPORT EXPANSION PROGRAMS. THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THE POSTS WHICH ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE. ACCORDING TO OUR RECORDS, THE PERSONS WHOSE NAMES APPEAR OPPOSITE EACH POST ARE PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR COMMERCIAL WORK; IN CASES WHERE TWO OFFICERS ARE INVITED FROM A POST, THE SENIOR ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER IS ALSO LISTED. THIS IS A SUGGESTED LIST. IF POST HAS ANY NOMINATIONS FOR SUBSTITUTION , PLEASE ADVISE.

ANGOLA	DOUBLEDAY
BOTSWANA	POPE
CAMEROON (DOUALA)	MITHOEFFER
CENTRAL AFRICANREPUBLIC	GRIBBEN
DAHOMEY	NALL

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ETHIOPIA WILSON

ETHIOPIA	DONNELLY	
GABON	BAAS	
GHANA	GRANER	
GUINEA	DLOUHY	
IVORY COAST	CRAWFORD	
IVORY COAST	KIMBLE	
KENYA	EDDY	
KENYA	WALTERS	
LIBERIA	ASHIDA	
MALAGASY REPUBLIC	DE SANTILLANA	
MALAWI	KOELENAY	
MAURITANIA	DEHMLow	
MOZAMBIQUE	OVERLY	
NIGER	EATON	
NIGERIA	CAHILL	
NIGERIA	SULLIVAN	
(KADUNA)	JENSEN	
SENEGAL	WILSON	
SIERRA LOME	STUART	
SOUTH AFRICA (JOHANNESBURG)	KIRBY	
(CAPETOWN)	WILLIAMS	
(DURBAN)	BERG	
SUDAN	GERLACH	
SWAZILAND	LANE	
TANZANIA	WATERMAN	
TOGO	KOTT	
ZAIRE	NETTLES	
ZAIRE	ELLISON	
ZAIRE (LUBUMBASHI)	ADAIR	
ZAMBIA	JORGENSEN	
ZANZIBAR	HALSTED	
UPPER VOLTA	SANDERS	

2. STATE AND COMMERCE RECOMMEND THAT IN CASES WHERE THE HIGHEST RANKING ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER IS COMING UP FOR REASSIGNMENT BEFORE MAY, THEN THE NEXT RANKING OFFICER SHOULD ATTEND. INVITED COMMERCIAL OFFICERS SHOULD ATTEND REGARDLESS OF THEIR ASSIGNMENT STATUS. FURTHER, IF OFFICER WHO IS DUE FOR REASSIGNMENT IS ONLY ONE AT POST RESPONSIBLE FOR ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL WORK, THEN HE SHOULD STILL ATTEND.

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3. CONFEREES SHOULD ARRIVE IN YAOUNDE BY NOT LATER THAN TUESDAY FEBRUARY 3. RESERVATIONS AND CONFERENCE WILL BE AT THE SHERATON-MONT FEBE PALACE HOTEL.

STS SHOULD CONFIRM ASAP OFFICERS ATTENDING TO BOTH WASHINGTON AND HOST EMBASSY. FOR HOTEL RESERVATION PURPOSES, INCLUDE DATE AND TIME OF ARRIVAL. ADDRESS ALL CON-

REFERENCE COMMUNICATIONS TO ANTHONY WALLACE, EB/OCA/CM, STATE AND RANDY MILLER OD/OIM/BIC COMMERCE.

5. CONFERENCE AGENDA, WHICH IS CURRENTLY BEING DEVELOPED, WILL INCLUDE PANEL PRESENTATIONS BY FIELD OFFICERS (EXPORT PROMOTION MANAGEMENT, FSL UTILIZATION) AND SEVERAL WORKSHOPS ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF TRADE PROMOTION. WE WOULD WELCOME SUGGESTIONS BY NOVEMBER 15 ON TOPICS RELEVANT TO COMMERCIAL PROGRAM WHICH POST WOULD ESPECIALLY LIKE DISCUSSED.

6. SEPARATE MESSAGES FOLLOW CONCERNING FISCAL DATA, AGENDA, NAMES OF WASHINGTON PARTICIPANTS AND FIELD PANEL PARTICIPANTS.

7. FOR YAOUNDE - SUGGEST YOU REDUCE RESERVATIONS TO 50 SINGLE ROOMS WITH BATH FEBRUARY 3-6. WASHINGTON ADVANCE OFFICER MILLER TENTATIVELY PLANS TO ARRIVE JANUARY 24. REQUEST YOU APPROACH HOTEL TO PROVIDE CONFERENCE ROOM FEBRUARY 4-6 AT NO CHARGE. IF NOT ACCEPTABLE, ADVISE CHARGES. ALSO, PLEASE ASCERTAIN ABILITY OF HOTEL TO PROVIDE LUNCHEON DINING FACILITIES FOR 50 PERSONS WITHIN 90 MINUTES TIME FRAME ALLOTTED ON SCHEDULE FOREACH OF THREE DAYS.

8. INFORM WASHINGTON OF NAME OF EMBASSY CONFERENCE CONTROL OFFICER. INGERSOLL

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